## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

IN RE:

Jointly Administered

Montgomery Ward, LLC, et al.,

Case Nos. 00-4667

through 4675 (RTL)

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Chapter 11

Debtors.

## ORDER APPOINTING JOHN J. CONNELLY AS MEDIATOR

1. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 105(a), John J. Connelly, Esq. (the "Mediator") is hereby appointed to act as mediator in a non-binding mediation, in an effort to reach a consensual resolution of the claims that may be raised by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors appointed in the above-referenced chapter 11 cases (the "Committee") against General Electric Capital Corporation and certain of its affiliates (excluding the above-referenced debtors) (collectively, the "GE Entities").

2. The parties in interest have initiated the contact with the Mediator who will establish methods and procedures for the conduct of the mediation.

3. The Mediator shall be compensated in a reasonable amount and be reimbursed for his reasonable expenses. The Mediator's fees and expenses will constitute an administrative expense payable by the estates of the above-referenced debtors (the "Debtors").

4. Counsel for the Debtors shall immediately transmit a copy of this Order to counsel for the Committee and the GE Entities.

Raymond T. Lyons

United States Bankruptcy Judge

Date: April <u>/0</u>, 2002